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SUBJECT: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING AUGUST 25, 1975 (SALT TWO-744)

1. ARTICLE VII (TEST AND TRAINING LAUNCHERS). SOVIETS PRESENTED NEW TEXT SUBSTITUTING "SPACE VEHICLE LAUNCHERS DEPLOYED AT SPACE PORTS" FOR "LAUNCHERS OF SPACE VEHICLES FOR EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE DEPLOYED AT SPACEPORTS." US TABLED LANGUAGE HANDED SOVIETS AT 22 AUGUST PLENARY (STATE 197860, PARA 3). LENGTHY AND INCONCLUSIVE DISCUSSION ENSUED ABOUT OMISSION OF SPACE LAUNCHERS FROM US PROPOSAL. US ALSO EXPLAINED THAT ALL LAUNCHERS HAVING MORE THAN ONE USE WOULD BE CONSIDERED TO FALL WITHIN MOST LIMITED CATEGORY (E.G. LAUNCHER USED FOR T & T COUNTED AS T & T; LAUNCHER USED FOR T & T AND OPERATIONS COUNTED AS OPERATIONAL). SOVIETS QUESTIONED NEED FOR NEW US PROPOSAL THAT OPERATIONAL LAUNCHERS USED FOR T & T SHOULD BE CONSIDERED OPERATIONAL, ARGUING PROVISION LIMITING CONSTRUCTION OR CONVERSION OF LAUNCHERS AT TEST RANGES TO T & T PURPOSES ONLY WAS SUFFICIENT. US ALSO QUESTIONED SOVS RE US PROPOSALS LIMITING HEAVY ICBM T & T LAUNCHERS AND DEFINING "NO SIGNIFICANT INCREASE." SOVS SAID THEIR REACTION TO HEAVY LAUNCHERS DEPENDENT ON "PROGRESS" ON OTHER PARTS OF ARTICLE.

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2. ARTICLE III AND ARTICLE VI (BOMBERS EQUIPPED FOR ASBM'S).

BOTH SIDES EXCHANGED TEXTS FOR ALL OF ARTICLE III AND ARTICLE VI.2
(C). ALL ENGLISH TEXTS REFLECTED AGREED CONCEPT OF BOMBERS
EQUIPPED "FOR" ASBM'S/ASM'S. US PROPOSED THE PHRASE "TO BE"
WHICH FOLLOWS "BOMBER" IN ART. VI.2(C) BE DROPPED IN ORDER
REFLECT CONCEPT OF COMPLETED ACTION. BOTH SIDES UNDERTOOK TO
REVISE TEXTS AND PLACE IN JDT FORMAT.

3. JDT. BOTH SIDES AGREED UPON NEED TO HAVE JOINT DOCUMENT WHICH
REFLECTS PRESENT POSITIONS AND THEREFORE TO UPDATE JDT PREAMBLE
AND ARTICLES III, VI AND VII. ARTICLE XVIII WAS RESERVED FOR
FURTHER CONSIDERATION.JOHNSON

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